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1. [ ] the Soviets were disappointed with the results of their Ostashkov operation. Although they generally treated [ ] reports as though they considered them unimportant [ ] able to detect certain signs of interest. For example, at first they took considerable interest in [ ] a jet flame temperature measurement [ ] but then their interest declined, perhaps because they had discovered a better system, or perhaps because they had worked out the

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details as used at Peenemuende. [redacted]

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2. The Soviets showed very little interest in the results of the Aerodynamics Department, [redacted] This, [redacted] is reflected in the fact that, up to the time the department was completely dissolved, only three Soviets were brought into the department to carry on the work. These three were capable of carrying out only the mechanical operation of the equipment, as differentiated from research work. 25X1
3. Dr Groettrup organized the group and carried out the original arrangements with the Soviets. He appears to have attempted to get a group of German scientists together who could carry on the rocket research program of Bleicherode and Peenemuende. Dr Goettrup was removed from his position as chief constructor in 1950 and was assigned to the Ballistics Department. The department was overstaffed, and showed very little output. It was customary to assign personnel to it when there was no work for them to do. This reassignment of Dr Groettrup was an indication of Soviet dissatisfaction with the results at Ostashkov.
4. The two departments that did receive indications of Soviet satisfaction were the Guidance Department and the Propulsion Department. These two departments were more likely to get equipment as needed. [redacted] 25X1  
 These two departments were the first ones taken over by the Soviets, and considerable consultation was carried on with the Germans who had been working on them.
5. Of the approximately forty Soviets who took over at Ostashkov, about fifteen went into the high-frequency work of the Guidance Department, and about ten went into the Propulsion Department. The remaining fifteen were scattered throughout the other five departments at the rate of about three each. [The workshop is not considered here.]
6. Dr Hoch was moved to Moscow in 1950. He was cooperating with the Soviets and was regarded by them as a highly capable man [redacted] 25X1  
 [redacted] scientifically Dr Hoch was a capable man. The other transferees to Moscow seemed to be personnel who had worked closely with Dr Hoch and perhaps were men whom he had requested.
7. The eighteen or twenty German specialists left at Ostashkov were all men who had had difficulty with the Soviets. [redacted] they were refused repatriation for their lack of cooperation with the Soviets. [redacted] 25X1
8. [redacted] Gorodomlya Island is particularly well situated for high-frequency work. It is isolated, but readily accessible to Soviet supply lines. Heavy items were usually transferred to the island in the winter over the ice, but smaller high-frequency equipment could be brought in any time. The Soviets [redacted] were going to tear down the installation and set up a hospital, but [redacted] they will continue with high-frequency work, and perhaps with test stand work also. 25X1

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